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Subject: Concurrence on the Draft Final Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study Report, IR Site 35, Areas of Concern in Transfer Parcel EDC-5, Alameda Point, Alameda

Dear Mr. Macchiarella:

We reviewed the above report, dated March 1, 2006, and continue to have a concern regarding the claim that IR Site 35 groundwater meets the State Board Resolution 88-63 exception criteria. We expressed this concern in a previous comment letter¹ and it has yet to be resolved.

As this report specifies that MCLs will be used as cleanup goals, we will not press this issue at this time. Therefore, with acknowledgement of our concern, we tentatively concur with the revisions made to the Draft Report.

Background

State Board Resolution 88-63 specifies exception criteria that a site must meet in order to be considered for exception from the municipal drinking water beneficial use. While portions of IR Site 35 may or may not meet some of the exception criteria, a site specific evaluation has not been completed and submitted to the Water Board. Until such evaluation is presented to us demonstrating that the groundwater beneath IR Site 35 meets the exception criteria, an exception will not be granted.

Please contact me at (510) 622-2355 or email ersimon@waterboards.ca.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Erich Simon
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¹ 11/3/06 Letter to Navy commenting on the Draft RI/FS Report for IR Site 35. From Erich Simon, Water Board.